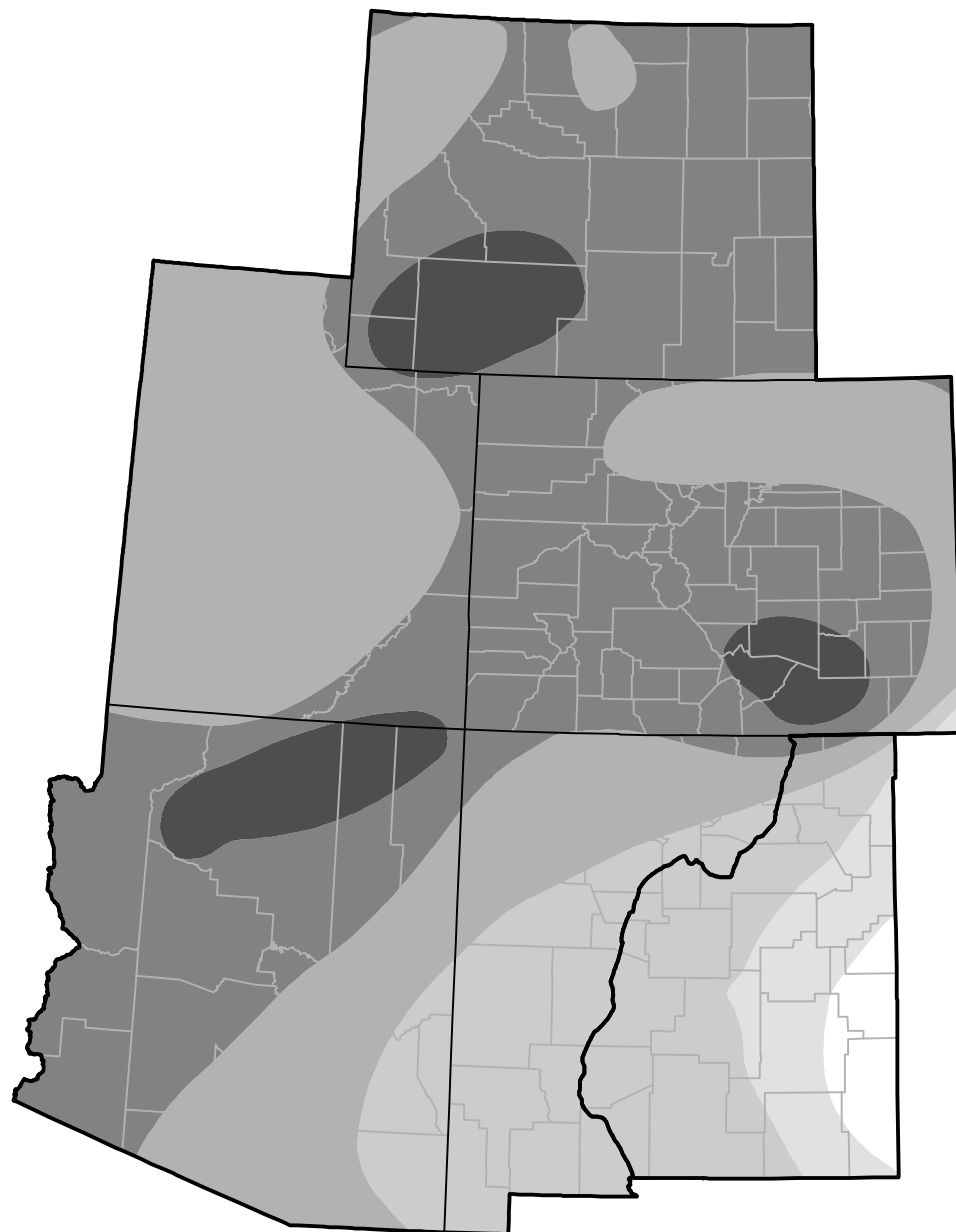


U.S. Drought Monitor

Intermountain West RDEWS



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Drought Conditions (Percent Area)

	None	D0-D4	D1-D4	D2-D4	D3-D4	D4
Current	1.55	98.45	94.76	79.76	48.00	6.71
Last Week <i>12-12-2002</i>	1.61	98.39	94.60	79.59	46.99	6.55
3 Months Ago <i>09-19-2002</i>	0.00	100.00	100.00	85.69	62.15	18.80
Start of Calendar Year <i>01-03-2002</i>	35.30	64.70	34.13	14.11	5.71	0.00
Start of Water Year <i>10-03-2002</i>	0.00	100.00	100.00	82.26	58.81	14.16
One Year Ago <i>12-20-2001</i>	36.71	63.29	33.20	14.28	6.36	0.00

Intensity:

 None	 D2 Severe Drought
 D0 Abnormally Dry	 D3 Extreme Drought
 D1 Moderate Drought	 D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. For more information on the Drought Monitor, go to <https://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/About.aspx>

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